

# Larry Coburn's Deer Hair cress Bug

## Tied by Dennis Covert



### Materials

**Hook:** Mustad 94840, sizes 14-18

**Thread:** Grey size 6/0

**Body:** Spun deer hair trimmed to shape (flat on bottom convex on top)

**Top:** draw a fine black or brown line with a permanent magic marker

### **Steps:**

1. Place hook in vice
2. Start thread at hook bend and make several wraps to secure thread
3. Clip a pinch of deer hair and place along top of hook shank ahead of the bend with trimmed ends facing the eye
4. Make three loose wraps around hair with thread then pull tight to spin hair making two more tight wraps.
5. Push hair back against the original thread wraps to compress, (not too much pressure or it will slide past the bend) and make three wraps in front of clump to anchor.
6. Proceed in the same manner with next pinch of hair, pushing spun hair back against previous clump - continue adding clumps until the spun hair covers the hook shank leaving just enough room to whip finish and tie off.
7. Trim excess hair to form the body of the cress bug, slightly rounding the trim on the top to create a convex profile
8. Use marker to make mark along back